

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24-01


DETERMINATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY IN COOS, CURRY, DOUGLAS, JACKSON, AND TILLAMOOK DUE TO A SEVERE STORM THAT INCLUDES HEAVY RAIN, FLOODING, AND LANDSLIDES

Pursuant to ORS 401.165, I find that a threat to life, safety, property, and significant damage to the state roads on the federal-aid highway system was caused by severe storms and have caused disaster conditions in Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, and Tillamook Counties. Beginning December 1, 2023, and continuing through December 12, 2023, these storms resulted in heavy rain, landslides, and erosion in various locations within these counties, leading to critical transportation failures, which require significant effort to clean up and repair. The storm system was so severe it caused two roads to collapse, Miami Foley and Sandlake located in Tillamook County and the temporary closure of State Highway 101 and 26 due to flooding. The storm system damaged state highways throughout these counties with scour, washouts, debris flows and mudslides.

IT IS ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

1. Pursuant to ORS 401.165, and based on the facts described above, an emergency has occurred, and a state of emergency is declared for the above-listed counties from December 1, 2023, and continuing through December 12, 2023.
2. The Oregon Department of Transportation shall provide appropriate assistance and seek federal resources to effect repair and reconstruction of \$7 million dollars or more in damages and impact to the federal aid highway system in the above-listed counties.
3. This declaration is limited to the above-listed counties. It is limited to the provision of assistance by the Oregon Department of Transportation to repair and reconstruct eligible roadways that are part of the federal highway aid system in the above-listed counties. This declaration is not to be construed as a comprehensive declaration or proclamation of emergency for other purposes.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 4th day of January, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tina Kotek".

Tina Kotek
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
SECRETARY OF STATE